

Reasons for opposition of SB 1085:

Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2019) (a) A cannabis retailer may sell [67] cannabis and cannabis products to a consumer in an amount for any [68] single transaction that does not exceed the possession limit.

- Current Medical facilities will be unable to provide enough for Medical/Recreational
- Majority of Adult use states allow greater possession amounts
- There is no clear designation between public and private possession, blanket amounts, other states have these rules in place: MI allows up to 2.5-3 oz of public possession and up to (2) two pounds in a safe, in personal living area.

Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2019) (a) Except as provided in [118] chapter 420b or 420f of the general statutes and subsection (b) of this [119] section, no person, other than a cannabis retailer, as provided in [120] section 3 of this act, may distribute, sell, dispense, offer or give [121] cannabis or cannabis products to a consumer. [122] (b) Any consumer who purchases cannabis or cannabis products [123] from a cannabis retailer may offer or give cannabis or cannabis [124] products to another consumer, provided such other consumer may [125] possess such cannabis or cannabis products without exceeding the [126] possession limit.

- Does not promote micro business, equity, nor allow farms to sell products at farmers markets
- Inhibits grow rights for both medical and adult use
- Promotes only corporate/big business (lead to money going out of state, rather than staying in state and helping communities)

Sec. 7. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2019) Notwithstanding any provision [128] of chapter 420b of the general statutes, a consumer may manufacture, [129] possess or purchase paraphernalia related to cannabis or distribute or [130] sell paraphernalia related to cannabis to another consumer.

- How will this be allowed if micro businesses are prohibited/will separate licensing be required to sell to retail stores i.e. product jars, smoking accesories?

Sec 8. (E) in any area of an establishment [144] with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 145 30-20a, 30-21, 30-21b, 30-22, 30-22c, 30-28, 30-28a, 30-33a, 30-33b, 30- 146 35a, 30-37a, 30-37e or 30-37f, in any area of an establishment with a [147] permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-23 issued [148] after May 1, 2003, and, on and after April 1, 2004, in any area of an [149] establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor [150] pursuant to section 30-22a or 30-26 or the bar area of a bowling [151] establishment holding a permit pursuant to subsection (a) of section [152] 30-37c;

- Why is it okay to drink as much as you can, which has been proven to kill people, yet being able to have a drink/beer and a joint is frowned up
- Smoking a cigarette/vape and drinking a beer is okay, but a joint is not??

(H) in any dormitory in any public [157] or private institution of higher education;

- Other medical/recreational states allow consumption on campus
- Medical patients should not feel discriminated against while attending higher education

or (I) on and after April 1, [158] 2004, in any area of a dog race track or a facility equipped with screens [159] for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai alai [160] games.

- Again, okay to drink and smoke cigarettes/vape but, not okay to consume cannabis.  
Which cannabis has been proven to be less deadly than both

Sec 13. (3) "Transaction scan" means the process by which a permittee or [265] permittee's agent or employee checks, by means of a transaction scan Raised Bill No. 1085 LCO No. 6083 10 of 17 [266] device, the validity of a driver's license or an identity card; [and] [267] (4) "Transaction scan device" means any commercial device or 268 combination of devices used at a point of sale that is capable of 269 deciphering in an electronically readable format the information 270 encoded on the magnetic strip or bar code of a driver's license or an 271 identity card;

- I agree with the verifying of age, however I do not agree with the tracking. Does the state of CT track the amount of Liquor/Beer/Wine/Alcohol?
- I also view this as a shortcoming of the medical growers, who claim that they can provide enough product/material for both a medical and adult/recreational program

Statement of Purpose: To legalize and regulate the recreational use of cannabis and to allow for erasure of criminal records for convictions based on the possession of small amounts of cannabis.

- Nowhere is there mention of equity, grow rights, or breakdown of taxation in this bill, these things must be addressed and focused on if the Cannabis community and industry is to thrive in CT.
- I feel this blankets to many subjects in order to ramrod legislation through. For a state that claims they want to be the best and do things right, this is not the way to go. Public forums need to be held where the people's opinions/facts are being heard. Individuals with cannabis experience need to be consulted and actually have their experiences be taken into account i.e. people from states with 10+ years of cultivating/processing/manufacturing experience